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UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL

(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))

APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

1. Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)
(Submit an original and a duplicate for fee processing)
2. Applicant claims small entity status.
See 37 CFR 1.27.
3. Specification [Total Pages 28]
(preferred arrangement set forth below)
 - Descriptive title of the invention
 - Cross Reference to Related Applications
 - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
 - Reference to sequence listing, a table, or a computer program listing appendix
 - Background of the Invention
 - Brief Summary of the Invention
 - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
 - Detailed Description
 - Claim(s)
 - Abstract of the Disclosure
4. Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets 1]
5. Oath or Declaration [Total Pages 3]
 a. Newly executed (original or copy)
 b. Copy from a prior application (37 CFR 1.63 (d))
(for continuation/divisional with Box 17 completed)
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Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 CFR 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).
6. Application Data Sheet. See 37 CFR 1.76

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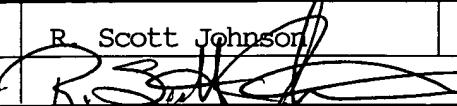
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Application Number	
Filing Date	10/27/2000
First Named Inventor	Melick, et al.
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Group Art Unit	
Attorney Docket No.	P04254US1

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Applicant claims small entity status. See 37 CFR 1.27

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FEE CALCULATION

1. BASIC FILING FEE

Large Entity		Small Entity		Fee Description	Fee Paid
Fee Code (\$)	Fee Code (\$)	Fee Code (\$)	Fee Code (\$)		
101 710	201 355	Utility filing fee	355		
106 320	206 160	Design filing fee			
107 490	207 245	Plant filing fee			
108 710	208 355	Reissue filing fee			
114 150	214 75	Provisional filing fee			
SUBTOTAL (1)		(\$)	355		

2. EXTRA CLAIM FEES

		Extra Claims	Fee from below	Fee Paid
Total Claims	20	-20** = 0	X	---
Independent Claims	3	-3** = 0	X	---
Multiple Dependent				

Large Entity Small Entity

Large Entity		Small Entity		Fee Description	Fee Paid
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103 18	203 9	Claims in excess of 20			
102 80	202 40	Independent claims in excess of 3			
104 270	204 135	Multiple dependent claim, if not paid			
109 80	209 40	** Reissue independent claims over original patent			
110 18	210 9	** Reissue claims in excess of 20 and over original patent			
SUBTOTAL (2)		(\$)	0		

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105 130	205 65	Surcharge - late filing fee or oath			
127 50	227 25	Surcharge - late provisional filing fee or cover sheet			
139 130	139 130	Non-English specification			
147 2,520	147 2,520	For filing a request for <i>ex parte</i> reexamination			
112 920*	112 920*	Requesting publication of SIR prior to Examiner action			
113 1,840*	113 1,840*	Requesting publication of SIR after Examiner action			
115 110	215 55	Extension for reply within first month			
116 390	216 195	Extension for reply within second month			
117 890	217 445	Extension for reply within third month			
118 1,390	218 695	Extension for reply within fourth month			
128 1,890	228 945	Extension for reply within fifth month			
119 310	219 155	Notice of Appeal			
120 310	220 155	Filing a brief in support of an appeal			
121 270	221 135	Request for oral hearing			
138 1,510	138 1,510	Petition to institute a public use proceeding			
140 110	240 55	Petition to revive - unavoidable			
141 1,240	241 620	Petition to revive - unintentional			
142 1,240	242 620	Utility issue fee (or reissue)			
143 440	243 220	Design issue fee			
144 600	244 300	Plant issue fee			
122 130	122 130	Petitions to the Commissioner			
123 50	123 50	Petitions related to provisional applications			
126 240	126 240	Submission of Information Disclosure Stmt			
581 40	581 40	Recording each patent assignment per property (times number of properties)			
146 710	246 355	Filing a submission after final rejection (37 CFR § 1.129(a))			
149 710	249 355	For each additional invention to be examined (37 CFR § 1.129(b))			
179 710	279 355	Request for Continued Examination (RCE)			
169 900	169 900	Request for expedited examination of a design application			
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